

A 8↓

BALTIMORE SUN

25 FEB 1977

Senate approves Turner for CIA

Washington Bureau of The Sun

Washington—Adm. Stansfield Turner drew praise from both Republicans and Democrats as the Senate unanimously confirmed his nomination as director of central intelligence yesterday.

The 53-year-old Mr. Turner, a classmate of President Carter's at the Naval Academy in Annapolis, won approval on a voice vote. Mr. Carter's first choice for the CIA post, Theodore C. Sorensen, withdrew from consideration after strong opposition to his appointment emerged in the Senate.

The only words of doubt yesterday came from Senator Howard H. Baker, Jr. (R., Tenn.), the minority leader, who said he was disturbed about permitting Admiral Turner to retain his naval rank while serving in the dual role of director of the CIA and director of central intelligence.

In other action, the Senate also approved Elliot L. Richardson to become the United States negotiator to the Law of the Seas Conference and gave its assent to Warren Christopher as deputy secretary of state.

Canadians expel visiting Russian physicist for spying

Ottawa (AP)—The Canadian government expelled a visiting Russian physicist last night on suspicion of espionage after he allegedly tried to buy classified documents from another scientist.

Royal Canadian Mounted Police agents placed Lev Griforeyevich Khvostantsev, 39, a specialist in high-pressure physics, aboard a Soviet Aeroflot jetliner that immediately left Montreal.

Don Jamieson, the Canadian foreign minister, announced earlier that Mr. Khvostantsev was taken into custody Wednesday night after he bought two unclassified

documents from a scientist at the National Research Council and tried to buy classified documents.

The scientist had entered Canada November 17 as part of a 10-month scientific exchange program.

The expulsion order, signed by Bud Cullen, the immigration minister, read in part: "You have become a person who... there are reasonable grounds to believe... is likely to engage in espionage, sabotage or any other subversive activity directed against Canada and detrimental to the security of Canada."

A 7